

The redemption we can offer is living Off The Map.



Our time has come.



*Off The Map Freedom Fighters
Zine #2... we do not conduct wars*



**One day we will be
free and no
longer we
need to
use masks.
One day we
will show
our faces.**

OTM Rebels



**Until
all
are
free.**

**Power
to
the
people.**

➔ Political Criminal Girls. [REDACTED]

>Part of the same collective. OTM pissed off females.



"We BACK UP our revolutionary brothers and sisters."

Our English is not perfect but we believe in communication. Exchanging information is crucial.

Here in this fanzine you'll find a lot of mistakes but that doesn't bother us. What we really care is the message we're trying to pass on to you. We're from everywhere. We speak all the languages and our effort is to communicate.

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This fanzine will change nothing at all. This texts won't make any difference. This writings are just nonsense contents if we forget the context we're living in. History relied on us. At this point only actions count.

We mustn't let our texts keep us away from the battlefield. We're not philosophers, famous writers, full of theories. We're an Army of Wakeful Dreamers. We keep writing but we do everything we can to Live the dream in our daily lives. Always trying to Walk our Talk. Otherwise we represent nothing and we're worse than those who hold our fingers at. We can do better. We can always do more than what we're doing.

We cannot turn back now... it's far too late for that. We're going to keep the course. We're on a mission to save ourselves and our brothers and sisters. We follow our hearts. We live simple so others may simply live. We sacrifice for the ones we deeply love. We fight like warriors. We stay on the attack. We're on the frontline for Total Liberation.

The 3rd world war began a long time ago. Your wars are not ours. Our war is all out against the ones who create stupid wars based on religion, class and economics. We're here to expose your abuse and mischeivous schemes.

Giving up never was an option. We're still here. Prepared for the fight. Ready for confrontation. Your weapons of mass destruction don't scare us. We're use to it because we've born under your Reich.

**Freedom for the Oppressed!
Level Respect! Liberation!
The War is On!**

OFF THE MAP Statement.

Always set the trail

Never follow the path

Capitalism is organized crime.

**CITIES R
FILTHY**

The City is Hell.

Humanity is the Beast.

All Governments are Evil.

All Politicians are Monsters.

All Corporations are Demons.

free, fly free and swim free. Where pollution doesn't exist and where people will respect Mother Nature and live by Her rhythms, living in harmony with other people and all the earthlings. We have the power in our hands to make this dream come true.

OFF THE MAP PROPAGANDA is about showing that are alternatives to this urban lifestyle. People are living with no love in their hearts, with no dreams and no hope, only with unconditional fear. We live in this world but we live OFF THE MAP. That doesn't mean we've turned our back on what's happening around us. Instead of that we support each other and exchange energy to destroy the machine from within. But we do not destroy without a purpose. We want to destroy civilization and create a new better place for all the living beings – the real Balance on Earth.

OFF THE MAP ACTIONS are things that all of us can do. We do stencils. We print t-shirt's and stickers. We write fanzines. We distribute leaflets. We record spoken words cd's. We do graffiti. We play music with a message. We support revolutionary associations, collectives, bands, groups, and people.

OFF THE MAP PARADISE is for us the promised land. A piece of land of our own, with pure water to drink and plenty of food to eat, with houses in the middle of the trees, with time for ourselves. Is a place where the sun's always shinning, where our families multiply and our children run free having direct contact with Nature.

OFF THE MAP TRIBES manage to maintain small communities in which environmental sustainability is a reality, and in which everyone, regardless of standing or age, has a valued role to play. Nowadays we have no choice of how to live our own lives the way we really want to so we have chosen to live OFF THE MAP. This restless spirit will lead us to the final step ; Self sufficiency. Doing everything by ourselves.

Always set the trail and never follow the path. ~



FREEDOM . EQUALITY . SELF SUFFICIENCY . NOMADISM

> O T M <

OFF THE MAP WORLDWIDE COLLECTIVE is a network of urban warriors who stand for Freedom, Justice and Total Liberation. We fight against humyn apathy, futility, triviality and decontrolled urban evolution. We refuse unnecessary consumerism, addiction to TV and computers, social behaviours based on traditions and education, "cool" and expensive brands, fancy places as shops and bars. We're young people full of ideas and energy to spread them around. We're active and inspired by life itself. We want to give a body to our political thoughts. We do what's possible to do here and today, as we care about the future. We think we should do our best on the living present.

OFF THE MAP BATTLEFIELD, in this context, the city, which we believe is the concrete point of our huge antagonism, is the stage of our main actions. Civilization and itself mentality is spread all around the globe. We hate civilization. We hate cities. But it's in the city that we want to strongly introduce our ideals, as we've learned with past experiences that's quite hard so we keep resisting because we know it is possible to live "THE DREAM"!

OFF THE MAP FREEDOM FIGHTERS are concerned about the youngest generations that are falling into alienation everyday. They fall into traps produced by the System, who is the cerebrum of this machiavellian scheme. We're out of step with the world, avoiding the crowd where the blinds are leading the blinds.

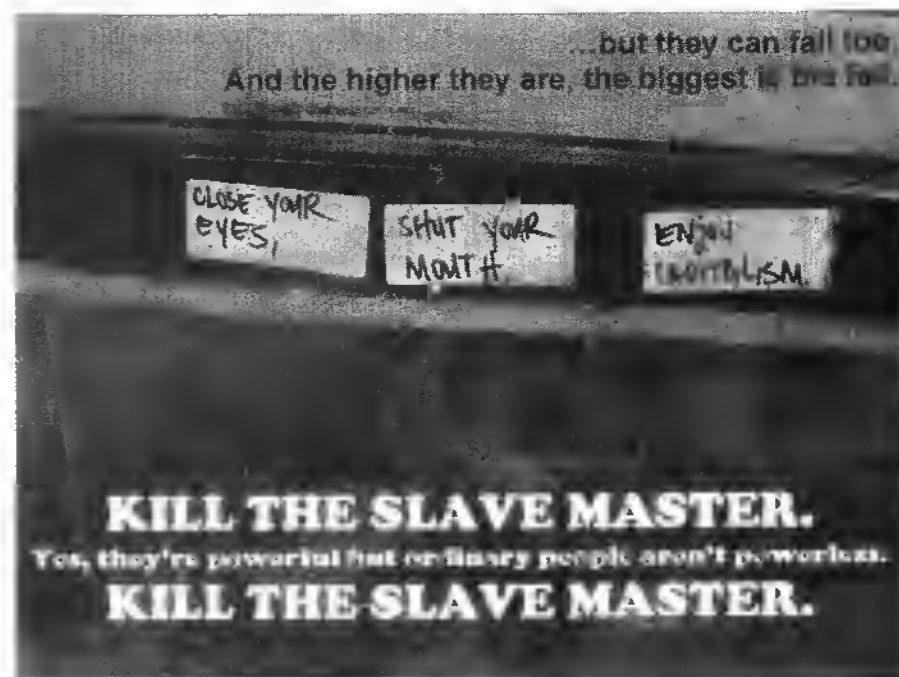
OFF THE MAP ECOLOGICAL WARRIORS believe that Nature's scars will heal and that one day humyns and animals will live in harmony literally **OFF THE MAP**.

OFF THE MAP ATTITUDE is about protesting, speaking up our minds, making ourselves be heard, dreaming aloud and screaming out loud. Is about fighting against this System, struggling day after day against capitalism, confronting every single corporation that are killing the animals, cutting down trees or exploiting humyn beings. It is about questioning authority every second.

OFF THE MAP DREAMERS dare to live their dreams. We imagine a parallel world and we live in that world - **OFF THE MAP**. **OTM DREAMERS** are people like you and me. Normal people, simple people who're still dreaming with a New World. A World where the animals run

→ SECRET SOCIETIES RULE THE WORLD.

They're all working together for the same goal, and their goal is to create chaos. They orchestrate all the wars between countries. The World Leaders have the power over everything and everyone. It's scary to conclude that **THEY CAN DO WHATEVER THEY WANT TO**. They're the Court, the Justice, the Police. They dictate the norms we have to follow. They can kill us, they can smash us if we give them problems. If we're the troublemakers, if we're dangerous or if we expose their secrets. They won't hesitate, they'll finish with us all. They will crush us with their big thumbs if we stepped outta line. They won't stop until they conquer the whole world. Actually they have done it already. They're sitting on their thrones looking down now.



→ You control the Power!

He who oppresses you has only two eyes, two hands, one body and one brain; no more than is possessed by the least of you. He indeed, has nothing which you do not have, other than the power which you give to him. Where did he obtain all these eyes that he has to spy upon you, if you did not provide them to him yourselves? The arms that he uses to beat you with, to hurt you with, to torture you with and to hit you with truncheons and shields, how did he get them if he did not get them from you? The feet that trample down your homes, squats, towns, and communities, where does he get them from, if not from you? You are trapped in hard labour in order that he may indulge in his delights which you will never see or know. Do you work so that he can take your earnings? Do you furnish your house so that he can come and take your possessions away because of an unpaid bill? Do you let him destroy the earth so that he can build luxury houses for him and his friends? Do you let him get pleasure by killing animals, chasing them down till they can run no more? They are victims just like you, you know. After all this, you afford him the greatest privilege of all. You give your children to him so that he can take them to war to satiate his lust for blood. You are an instrument of his vengeance. He does not have power over you if you do not give him the power! Would he even dare of hurting you in the first place if you did not allow him to? You are an accomplice to your own murder! His disgusting habits and filthy life are supported by you. You weaken yourselves so that he may become stronger, holding you in place so that you will never know what he knows. But still, after all this, all this torment and horror that he puts you through, you remain dignified; even though he tries to erode you, he won't succeed. You have love and a spirit which he could not possibly know how powerful they both are. Use them against his loveless shell. Break the bondage that he holds you in. Take action if you so desire, or educate yourselves if that suits you; but most importantly, you can become free by merely willing to be free! Wish to serve no more and you are at once free. Do not give him the tools for your own funeral, take them away from him, and watch him topple over and fall. He is not stronger than you, no, he is small and weak, made strong only by that which you give him. Will to be free and watch how he then tumbles.

Bommi Bauman

> *change, learn, experiment* <

We don't know where we're gonna be in a couple of years or what we'll be doing. Changing is inevitable. We all change and because of that we don't know what's going to happen next. It feels right to fight this war. Sometimes we get lost along the way but the main goal was, is and always will be the same: FREEDOM. We know that all roads will lead us somewhere although we think it's better to ALWAYS SET THE TRAIL AND NEVER FOLLOW THE PATH. We're hopping to live OFF THE MAP in a present future.

We believe in no Absolute Truth. We just feel this is the "right" thing to do now. We follow our hearts wherever they wanna go. We fly against and with the wind. We taste from this and that and we're never satisfied. We travel around to see different landscapes and meet different people. Walking different paths is good for us. Having different experiences in life makes us grow inside. With life lessons at every corner teaching us several things we don't learn at school.

It's good to be open minded and aware. Always try to understand people and their behaviors even though sometimes it might seem worthless. Humans are just too complex and weird but we must try to comprehend them. It's a hard task but that's who we are. We're made of lies and wrongs and rights.

We might be walking in circles searching for something we'll never find. But we've been born to follow our soul's desires. We must risk everything and go wherever we need to go to fill our hearts with joy.

Life teach us everything we need to know.

For wisdom.



For knowledge.



Nature's Magic!

Learn the language of our Mother Moon and our Father Sun. Listen carefully because Nature is always speaking to us. Communicate with the Earth, the animals, the trees and stones. Understand the message of the rivers, the lakes and oceans. Hear the mountains whispering words of hope echoing through the valleys. Hands up to the sky, reaching the clouds. Let life lead you when you feel lost or unfulfilled. Feel yourself being lifted up.

*Feel the wind in your face.
Enjoy the landscape. Embrace this family.
Become part of this sacred energy.*

Beware with THE MEDIA



It's all about Power. Some people control the information and that's the main problem. People's interests are stronger than sincerity. People will just put out some information and conduct their victims knowledge as they wish - as teachers, as politicians, as parents, as companies,... AS THE MEDIA!

Beware with the Media.

Don't trust everything you see on TV, magazines and newspapers. They show us just a little bit, they give us just a slice but not the whole cake. They lie to the world everyday. And we mustn't forget that what we see on television, what we listen on the radio or what we read on the newspaper is just one side of the coin and to be more specific - their version of the story.

They don't let the world know a lot of things that could put them in danger - like the truth, for example. They can do whatever they want. They are the ones who decide. They have the power to cover up what they want. They have the final word. And there's a lot of pressure from above as well. World's biggest Corporations control the Media. So the Media is just another name for governments, politicians, multinationals.

We can read things on books, watch programs on TV, listen to the radio and a lot of those things aren't "real". They play with our mind. They force us to be on their side with mental games. They trick us wisely. Through publicity, movies, places they create. Not everything is true.

Try to see things clearly and search for the truth in the information you receive. Use common sense for that and you'll be on the right track. Refuse to be brain washed. This is not a physical war but a war between our minds and their machiavellian schemes. It's a war we have to fight with ourselves and with the System at the same time. They will convince us a lot of times but clarity is the weapon they fear and we still fight against what must be destroyed and annihilated.

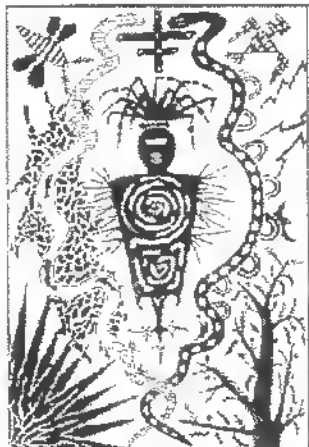
It's always the same problem, this fucking unfair System. Sensationalism is one of their weapons to catch our attention and a big chance to hypnotize us for life. **Don't get caught on their web.**

→ **Mindfuckkked!**

Day in and day out I am faced with the same sordid, irrelevant and damn right intrusive adverts. On the TV, radio, internet everywhere, they are creeping into my brain. They are like worms permeating themselves within me, creeping into each part of my body, creating impulses to make me buy shit that I just don't need. And what's up with subliminal messages? They are the worst god-damit! They can target me and I don't even know it. How fucked is that? At least if I can see them I can react, I can tear them down, I can spit at them, laugh at them or just try to ignore the damn things. But subliminal ones, fuck, they really get me. I am like a fish out of water. No matter what I do they always have the upper hand; fuck, if only I could give them a taste of their own medicine, send them a few messages, see how they like it. I could send them a little suicide note, maybe that would work. Well, I am becoming truly Mindfuckkked. That's right people, **MINDFUKKKED** with a capital M and a triple K. I feel like an animal being hunted and they are the hunter. And what's it all for? So that I become another sheep, to join the heard of consumers.

Advertisements truly shit in your head!





The wilderness
will again belong
to the people.

*we dream of a world in which
the anchors of the earth, it's
resources, are used wisely; and
it's inhabitants, human and
animal alike, are respected
and enabled to live in
cooperation*

off the map

A modern contemporary technological world suffers from a deluge of fast-paced environment degradation. In our so-called advanced societies, all too often the elderly are cast out and isolated into homes for the old, to see out the end of their days

surrounded by death and dying. Our children are comforted in front of television sets and video games, so that increasingly more young children arrive at school unable to communicate with the live human beings around them. Marriage vows regularly last only as long as it takes for the divorce papers to arrive. Alcoholism and drug abuse are rife. Adolescents are expected to grow toward adulthood with no suitable guidance or initiations, no pride in themselves or their communities.

Governments, banks, and companies have often pursued policies and backed regimes that are unfavourable to indigenous peoples, manly to supply market demand.

No one can deny that war against Nature is war against ourselves. Ecosystems and habitats destroyed forever. Animals and plants become extinct. Mother Nature is being stabbed and civilized humyns are the ones with knives and blood on their hands. They polluted the rivers, lakes and oceans. They poisoned the soils and the air. They killed our brothers and sisters. Urban societies step on Nature regardless. Only indigenous communities respect life in this planet. The land doesn't belong to the people. People belong to the land. Always in the spirit of Native Resistance.

No dept. No bombs. No prisons. No poverty. No homeless. No junk food. No pollution. No sweatshops. And people call them primitive.

➔ Dead or Alive? ⬅

>Do you ever feel safe?

Because everyone's in danger in this planet.

>Are you hopeful?

Because hope doesn't change our past mistakes.

>Do you still dream?

Because reality is a nightmare.

>Do you still believe?

Because believers stop believing like everyone.

>Do you still love?

Because no one seems to care.

>Do you still breathe?

Because we're going out of oxygen.

>Do you still feel?

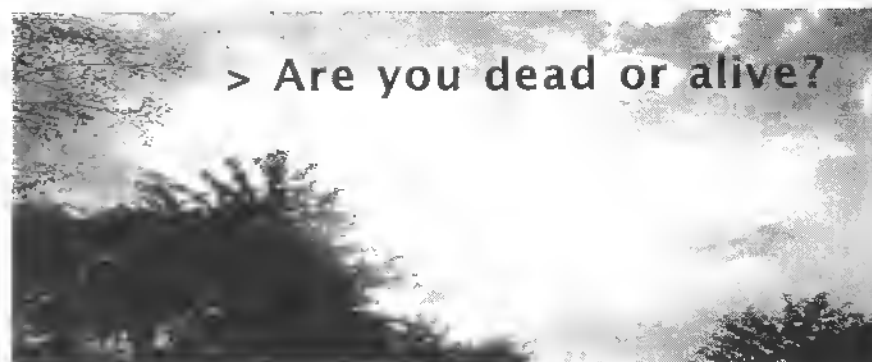
Because machines are taking over.

>Does your heart still pulsing?

Because everyone is dead inside.

>Do you believe that brighter days will come?

Because sun is setting forever.



> Are you dead or alive?

→ MTV ← GENERATION

In the shop where I'm working we always listen to R&B.

Once I was speaking with a colleague from work and she was singing along while the music was playing. I asked her : "You really like this kind of music, don't you?". She answered : "Yes, I do!". (Everyone likes different stuff and no one should judge that. I don't mind about her likes and dislikes but in this specific situation it wasn't about the music style). I said that I really cannot stand that kind of music because I didn't like those lyrics, I hate what it all represent. In general I was criticizing the MTV Generation. After I finished she said exactly this: "That's just because you do not understand Black Culture!" (She's a black girl, by the way). I was shocked. She took me by surprise with that argument. I asked her straight away: "But what does this music and lyrics have to do with Black Culture? Can you explain me?", and she answered : "Everything!". I was even more shocked than before and then I said : "But you shouldn't be proud of them, you should be embarrassed and ashamed because most of them are Black, just like you. They've been westernized and for me they're "Whiter" than the White Men. Their goals are the same as a westerner: money, sex, expensive cars, big houses. They're always showing off their wealthy lifestyle and richness. They're typical "White" inside. They sold out and signed in into the Mainstream. They're selling their image to the world. They're Black just on the outside because they're the cliché type of human beings that just care about themselves and nothing else. They're seeking only fame and glory." She stopped for a moment and seemed to be thinking about it. Then she just changed the subject suddenly. I insisted and said : "This MTV Generation is based on nothing". She seems not to understand what I was talking about and kept on with what she was doing. She ignored me and I walked away.

I concluded that sometimes people don't understand each other because we simply don't speak the "same language". There's no bridge between me and that girl. To her Television is Religion, it's even God Himself speaking through a screen. Mainstream is Absolute Truth. MTV is just awesome! Fast food rocks the most. Shopping, dressing up, looking nice, going out it's what life is all about. What do I

→ Love is all around us! We're brave, we feel no fear. There's no barriers for an heart fulfilled with Love. It opens our souls to the magic of life. Everything's alright with someone that lives in peace with the world. Love seeds will sprout inside of us whenever we feel happy. Just a simple smile can change our day. Life's an awesome adventure.

Life's fun.



Be happy.

Enjoy life.

Seize the day.

Love the ones who loves you back.

Live "fast" and die old, after a lifetime of happiness.



There's connection between us.

We cannot deny it.

We are all animals.

Donkeys,

Cows,

Humans.

*Men and Women conquered the power to
enslave all the other earthlings who still live
fair and natural lives.*




*Humankind must coexist in harmony with
Mother Nature.*

We are the same.

We are animals.

have in common with that girl? Nothing at all! I think she didn't understand me. I think she still believes that black culture is what she thinks it is. Everyone believes in what they want to believe. She won't change. This entire generation won't change and that's why I keep here screaming at a wall. I confronted her and she just changed the subject because she doesn't care. She didn't feel comfortable speaking about something she never questioned or thought about. No one cares about nothing anymore. MTV music is just brainwashing all younger generations because mainstream controls everything. They have the power. Underground is underground. No one sees us. We're undercover revolutionaries. Trying to infiltrate on the Mainstream and do our best to destroy it. But it's difficult, almost impossible when there are billions of people telling you're wrong. Everyday they're telling you're wrong and that you should join the System. It's like screaming inside an empty room. Frustration at its best. Everyone is outside, doing whatever, living their own lives without even notice that you are there or you're trying to communicate. They don't listen, they don't care, they don't want to know.



**WE DON'T DANCE TO THE "MUSIC TELEVISION".
WE DANCE TO THE REVOLUTION SOUNDTRACK OF
REVOLUTIONARY ACTIONS AND SONGS AND
SCREAMS AND BOMBS.**

**"MUSIC TELEVISION" DON'T MAKE US DANCE.
SMASH YOUR TV TODAY!**

GATHER

The answers to the interview are only my answers. I'm Randy and I play bass for Gather, but I am only one of the people involved with the band. My answers to these questions may not reflect the stances of other band members. Thanks again for your interest in our views.

-Randy



1. What do you mean with your band's name: Gather? Well, hunter/gatherer cultures are kind of a focus of and inspiration for anti-civilization ideas, and we feel like a lot of people in the anti-civilization milieu fetishize the 'hunting' aspects of this. We chose the name Gather partly as an emphasis on the vegan aspects of non-civilized cultures, and partly as a statement of what we want to see in the punk/hardcore community; we want people with ideas like ours to come together for action against what is fucked up in our world.

2. Have you watched "Fahrnheit 9/11? What's your opinion about Bu\$h? And the 9/11? Obviously George Bush sucks, and is a fucking idiot, like any other politician. The U.S. Government apparently knew about the attacks beforehand and did nothing, but they also caused the attack to begin with by enacting policies that oppress people in all other parts of the world, and take their resources.

3. Did you participate in any demo or action against G8? What's your opinion about globalisation? Have you or your friends been at Seattle riots? How was it? We are opposed to globalization, and the G8, and all other 'governing institutions', but I don't think any of us were involved with the Seattle riots. They, and actions against the G8, seem to be arenas where groups of people can come together to at least temporarily see past their

PS: Vegans have many different views regarding Veganism. This issue is too complex to be discussed between vegans but sometimes it's needed.

Nowadays a lot of people raise the "Vegan Flag" and claim the title. There's a lot of ways of going "Vegan". Irony of fate more than half of those ways aren't vegan at all but well... we must not trust people in the first place. Being Vegan doesn't make us better than anyone. Just more aware.

We think people that live in cities have no reason for not going vegan. Civilized generations must Go Vegan urgently. This is the way to have less impact on the destruction of the Earth (even more if we dumpster dive and shoplift as much as possible). Not participating to the mass production and killing of lives (both animal and plants). Slowing down the genocide. When we use slogans as "Vegan Revolution" or "Vegan Warriors" or "Vegan something" we must not forget that we're talking in an urban context. It's inside Babylon that we must fight crime first. There's no love inside civilized humyn hearts and because of that we show no mercy for Mother Nature's enemies. But we don't think everyone should Go Vegan because we don't think Veganism is for everyone. It makes no sense, at least for us, to expect or even force people that respect Nature more than we do, like native communities and tribes, to Go Vegan. Makes no sense in some parts of the globe being vegan and it's sometimes literally impossible. Indigenous people live by Nature's Laws. They live in harmony with the Planet Earth.

Of course we believe it is possible to live vegan in the wild or at least in the countryside but not everywhere. We even imagine ourselves in the future living in vegan communities OFF THE MAP.



→Topic : VEGANISM ←

Going Vegan is the same as casting a stone against a wall. One stone will not damage the wall but millions of stones will. Our voices and fists are raised. We will win this war against the machines that are killing the Earth.

As consumers we vote with our money. As shoplifters and dumpster divers we fight against Oppression by any means necessary. Veganism is the answer to Society's spreading cancer so we'll spread back like a Vegan Virus in order to cleanse this Civilized Hell from Evil. **CIVILIZATION IS THE DISEASE. THE ANTIDOTE IS VEGANISM.**

As vegans we use our diet and lifestyle to protest, to boycott and to fight their empire of death. They are the terrorists. They are the criminals. They are the murderers. We're using Veganism as a weapon to fight real crime. We don't want this society to become a Vegan Society. We don't believe in Vegan Consumerism. We don't believe in Green Capitalism. We don't believe in "ecological pollution". We want to destroy Babylon forever. We're waging war against civilization.

All the places of oppression that are used to kill life must be burned down and destroyed. All the companies that profit from the death of the animals and the Planet Earth must be stopped by vegan violence. All the humyns that participate in the game must be punished, economically or physically.

AS CHILDREN OF MOTHER NATURE WE'LL FIGHT FOR TOTAL LIBERATION. THE EARTH WILL STRIKE BACK. VENGEANCE FOR THE OPPRESSED.

WE'RE THE CHILDREN OF THE REVOLUTION! VEGAN UPRISE!



differences, but the only real effect these mass actions seem to have is to let authority figures know that people are unhappy with them, rather than taking life into our own hands and negating the power of the institutions and figures of authority.



4. We know that you guys ride bikes with pride (xtirestormx vegan straight edge track). Do you think it's a good way to prevent pollution? But sometimes cars are really useful, don't you think? Cars are definitely useful at times. We would never tour if we refused to use cars. Biking is a fun way to get around that does not continually waste resources that cannot be renewed. However, bicycles are still a product of civilization that require much devastation to produce, so some day the bikes must be destroyed as well.

5. Do you have a DIY attitude as a band and as separate individuals? Don't you think DIY is an effective weapon against capitalism & the mainstream? We do support the DIY ethic of not relying on mainstream capitalist society to do things for us, and it is nice to be a part of a community that sometimes comes together to get things done outside of that framework. Without capitalism, or a globally connected system of trade, we would have to do things for ourselves, and it is good to start working on that now so that we might be able to live completely out of the system even before it falls.

6. By the way, what's your opinion about capitalism? Do you fight to turn this Capitalist World into a Vegan Capitalist World or your stand is also against capitalism itself? Do you have some alternatives or suggestions of how we should live with no money at all? Fuck capitalism, in all senses. A 'Vegan Capitalist World' is still a world based on exploitation and industrial agriculture, which involves total control of the land base and is therefore a completely unsustainable way of life. To live without money is extremely difficult, especially as a band who has to travel, and maintain equipment and shit like that. But in everyday life, some ways to avoid involvement in capitalism include squatting, foraging wild food, dumpster diving, growing food, walking places, making things such as clothing/tools yourself, and so on. People lived for hundreds of thousands of years before capitalism was invented, and they always got through life somehow; we can do it again with old and new ways.

7. What's your opinion about religion? Do you represent any religion as a band? And do any of you follow any religion? We hate religion, as

individuals and as a band. Religion was one of the first agents that were used to suppress indigenous cultures across the globe, starting in the Middle East, spreading through Europe and Asia, and finally arriving in the Americas to decimate natives here with war and disease. Plus religious ideas are just too hard to swallow.

8. Are you guys Vegan for a long time already? How everything started for each one of you? How did you get involved with Veganism? Through friends? Family? Bands? Animal Rights Groups? We have all been vegan for a while, but for me it seems like I've always been vegan in the sense that I can't imagine living differently. We all got into veganism through bands (Earth Crisis, Good Riddance, Rudimentary Peni, Conflict, etc), and friends took a role of exposing us to these bands and ideas as well.

9. Do you try to eat healthy? Do you prefer organic food to non-organic food? Why? We try to eat healthy, avoiding hydrogenated oils, non-organic food, etc. Eating organic is important because we don't want chemicals in our food, but even organically produced food is made with animal products as fertilizer and other gross shit like that. I guess organic food is just another step at moving away from controlling the way nature has given us food, and needs to be eventually completed by eliminating agriculture altogether.

10. What about Fair Trade? Do you support it? Do you believe is it that "Fair" as they say it is? As long as trade is going on at all, it needs to be as fair as possible so that corporations don't fuck people in lesser privileged areas more than they already have been. But no, I think that the trade is rarely fair, and that capitalism can never allow for fair trade.

11. Do you participate in other projects beside Gather? Do you volunteer? Do you belong to some Association or Group? Do you write books or fanzines? I am in a couple other bands, and Allan works really hard on a fanzine called What We Have that is great, some of us also make shirts and patches and things like that. I don't think we are explicitly affiliated with any groups or associations, no.

12. What do you guys do for a living? What are you studying and where are you working? Allan just finished graduate school with a degree in education, Dustin works at a large health-food store, and Eva and I get by on our sharply-honed wit, haha.

13. In your song "No Contest" you say "The animals need an army to fight for them. See how useless your pacifist views are now"; "No action is too harsh when the result is their liberation". And in "Total Liberation" you say "We're dedicated to bringing freedom for all

Do you think we've born to live in this fuckin' concrete jungle? Don't you think we deserve a little bit better? A better life? A better work? A better house? Better conditions to raise our children? To feed our family so that everyone can grow old healthy and happy?

On your list of thing to do while you're alive where comes happiness? Pleasure? Enjoying life? Having fun? Laughing? Being with your friends? Just after the tasks they force you to do are done? Grab your life while you still can. Do whatever you want. Take the risk. Demand the impossible. Search for solutions.

There's always another way...



**So many lies brainwashing our minds.
It's time to break the chains and free
ourselves from mental and physical slavery.**

→ REFLECTIONS

> “Don’t you ever feel... suffocated?
Like there’s something big pressing down?”

What do you want from life? What are your goals? Why are you still here? Working for the System until your very last day motivates you? Do you enjoy living stressed, frustrated, in pain? Why don't you start searching for a new life? Living the illusion that this is the best life you could ever had keeps you that stuck? Does it make sense to you to live under these conditions? Surviving by any means necessary? How can you tolerate their abuse of your own mental sanity?

We're slaves. We're living in a prison - for our souls, for our minds, for our bodies. Breathing doesn't make us alive anymore. Living does. Feeling does. Loving does.

Humynkind is killing all life upon Earth. Men became the architects of their own demise. They destroy everything without even thinking about the consequences. They don't care if the next generation, their children generation, will suffer the consequences of their actions. They just don't care about nothing - only about profits. They sacrifice their own family, husbands, wives, children, and even themselves for that purpose. Money blinded their eyes.

After work will come more work to be done. After the “daymare” comes the nightmare. After being exploited we'll be left with nothing in the end and they will run away with all the gold. Like always the richer will step on the poorer to get even richer. Wealthy people live amongst simple hearts. Their mission is to annihilate all the pure hearts on Earth and benefit from it. We must stand for ourselves because no one will do that for us. We must stand for what we believe. We must face them and fight them because we'll be taking our lives back from the ones who imprisoned us a long time ago.

Are we living magical adventures and an amazing life or are we just killing time for nothing? Just waiting for our turn? Waiting in line for our death? Can't we see this is not the way? Can't we see this is not the path for Self Realization? For Freedom? For Total liberation?

enslaved”; “Now's the time to take action for freedom”; “There's no time to wait for change”. Do you believe that violence can be used to defend our Mother Nature and all the oppressed? Violence is a fact of life, and it always has been. There is no reason to moralistically decry tactics that are effective, especially when people in power can only understand the language of violence.

14. What's your opinion about McDonald's having vegetarian burgers to sell? Will you go there if so? No matter what McDonald's does, as long as it exists as a corporation, we will oppose it. Just because they have a vegetarian burger does not negate the fact that it is a number one killer of cattle and deforester of Amazon rainforests.

15. We read that article “Tips from a Vegan Straight Edge parent” in the booklet that comes with your 1st demo (2004). We know that Scott doesn't play in Gather but do any of you have children? What's your opinion about vegan sxe people having kids? None of us have kids, and I'm sterilized, so I never will. Personally, I feel that no one should have kids anymore, because humyns have far exceeded our carrying capacity. But there is the argument that radically-thinking people should have children to spread those ideas to a new generation more effectively.



16. Do you think Vegan SxE parents can educate their children in a different way? What if the kids wanted to start smoking, drinking and eating meat after becoming a teenager? And what about school pressure, media pressure, friends pressure and mean jokes? What would you think you would do if that happens? Parents always try to impart their values to their children, and vegan sxe or anarchist parents would do the same. I would expect them to try to create an environment where children respect themselves and other life, and have a strong character. This way they will be able to handle social pressures more effectively, but to try to force a lifestyle on a child is just as bad as doing so to anyone else, and vegan sxe/anarchist parents will have to learn to deal with the choices the child makes too.

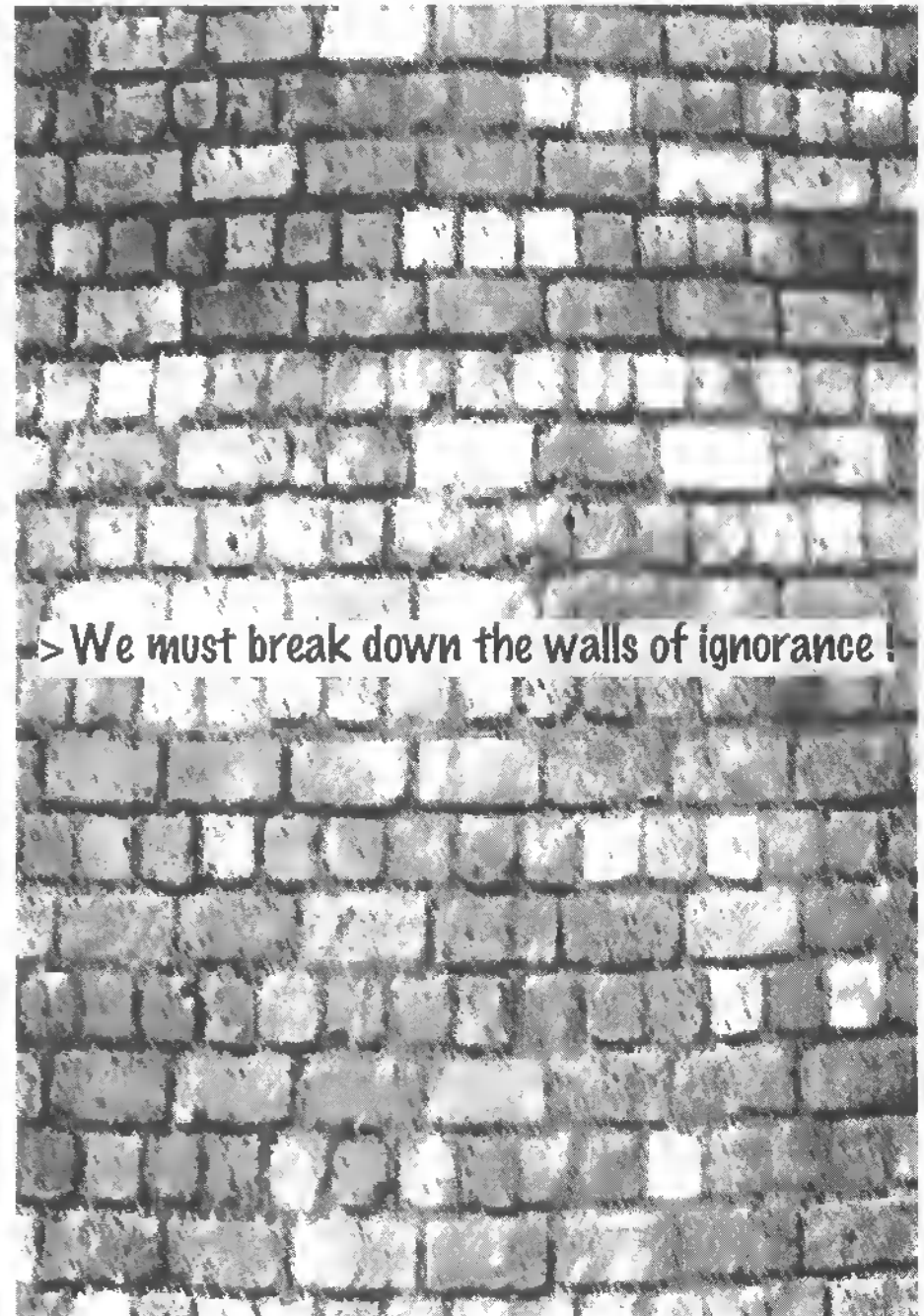
17. What do you think of having children in a collapsing world? Do you believe that everything will turn out fine in the future? Ha, when you put it that way, it sounds worse than ever. In a collapsing world, having children will only create more casualties, since so many people will die in the crash anyway.

18. How do you see "Freeganism? Do you dumpster dive sometimes? Freeganism is a great way to try to escape capitalism, but a problem we often see is that people still use freeganism as an excuse to consume animal products or to view animals as a 'food product', rather than lives that have been taken by the capitalist system. We do unconditionally support dumpster diving and do so as much as possible.

19. What about shoplifting? What are your tactics and tips? People should steal until corporations can no longer afford to function. Just don't get caught!

20. There are a lot of "alternative" people who suppose to represent underground culture, who're political and militant wearing Nike or drinking Coca-Cola, or supporting any other multinational of this kind. In your song "Escalate" you say "If you think that we have things in common just because we both wear X's on our hands - You're wrong! We both abstain from substances, but that's not enough to make a bond." How do you see all these trendy Hardcore Straight Edge kids? Do you agree with the slogan: "If it's not Punk, it's not Hardcore. If it's not Political, it's not Straight Edge?" I agree with that slogan, for sure. People who support murderous corporations and say they represent political/rebellious culture are contradicting themselves. I don't think I have the right to tell someone if they are not straight edge because there are so many reasons and motivations to abstain from intoxication, but for me straight edge is definitely political by nature.

21. Raid use to sing "Humanity is now a plague, a cancer to the ecosystem". You think Humans are part of the problem or even the problem itself? Do you believe in brighter days? Humyns are the problem, but not all of them. Even now, there are still humyns living with the surrounding ecosystem than against it. Raid was right, if you consider the overwhelming majority of humynity that is contributing to the destruction of the earth. There are definitely brighter days ahead, but that may or may not include humyns. That depends on if we can bring down civilization before it goes so far that we are killed off with it, and then learn to live as part of the ecos stem.



→PEOPLE AREN'T READY TO BE LIBERATED

People are fuckin' stupid. They don't wanna change because they don't even know they live as slaves.

Freedom makes them not know what to do. Freedom gives them the power to do everything by themselves but they prefer to get everything already done. Freedom puts them in control of their own lives but for them it's easier to obey. Freedom kills hierarchy but they like to be the puppets on this puppet show play. Freedom gives them real happiness but they rather enjoy the illusion of happiness. Freedom gives them true love but they forgot how it was to live in harmony and they only know hate and frustration now. Freedom gives them hope but they lost their faith a long time ago. Freedom gives them the opportunity to risk everything but they won't swap their safeness and comfort for anything. Freedom gives them the right of choice but they don't mind that others choose for them. Freedom makes them dreaming again but they like to sleep, they enjoy their nightmares. Freedom makes them free but they're used to live in prisons. Freedom makes them fly but they don't even know that they've wings. Freedom makes them unscared but they're too afraid. Freedom enlightens their way but they feel better embraced by darkness. Freedom gives them eyes to see but they want to stay blind. Freedom gives them ears to listen but they want to stay deaf. Freedom gives them control of their senses but they want to stay paralyzed, static and quiet.

**Sometimes it seems like
walking backwards.**



→ IN BOLD DEFENSE

Much has been said within the "anarchist" community about the evils of patriarchy, employment, and thus, capitalism. In fact, most pseudo anarchists would have you believe that there are no straight sexed people, let alone, **parents** whom would dare associate themselves with such a "movement", if you will. The actuality of the situation however, I'm sure, is quite the polar opposite. I have read one hundred times more D.I.Y. abortion pamphlets than I have literature about anarchism and atheism as it pertains to parenthood, and prospective parenthood. Are we to believe, really, that in order to be "anarchists" we must abolish the ideas of family, and especially monogamy? I don't believe the world works in this way, and I also do not believe myself to be alone in such a school of thought. Does one, in order to be a parent, have to give up on these radical ideas that we hold so true? Must we immediately conform to society's norms in order to achieve a safe haven for our children? No; at least, not totally. Consider this my defense.

Allow me to explain myself as I feel it is necessary to retain your collective attentions. I am still a young man of twenty-six years. I, like you, have spent a great deal of my life dumpster diving, shoplifting, and generally smashing the fuck out of capitalism as they say. Four years ago, I met a young woman. She was beautiful, intelligent, passionate, and akin to me in many of my beliefs. She was an atheist, and anti-government, though not bold (or stupid) enough to call herself an anarchist. We fell in love nearly instantly and began a long and winding journey together. After two years of monogamy to each other, and many nights spent at the "punk rock show" drinking and partaking in recreational drugs and alcohol, we learned that we were soon to be parents. We were still insanely dedicated to each other and our future together and elected despite the ways of the world to pursue said situation. A severe contrast to what my plan for life was to be. I had yet to backpack Europe. I had yet to physically confront "the state". I knew that my responsibility though, now fell not to my own ambitions of freedom, but to the safety and welfare of my loved ones; the family I (we) had created. I enveloped myself within industrial employment, as to sustain us financially and insure my new family. **THIS IS WHERE THE QUESTIONS BEGIN TO ARISE.**

You may ask, as I have, can one be knowingly, willfully employed by a bloodsucker of the environment and economy and still be an anarchist? It turns out, yes you can. Can one conform to the status quo of fashion and gender role and still, be considered an "anarchist"? Yes. Anarchy is not freedom from government alone. Anarchy is not freedom from institutionalized religion alone. Anarchy is what we all feel in our hearts to be true. **NO ONE IS MORE CAPABLE OR MORE QUALIFIED TO BE THE MASTER OF MY LIFE'S PATH THAN I.** And so I set off....

...JUST SOMETHING REALLY SIMPLE WE ALL COULD DO.

DON'T BUY TOILET PAPER

Never buy toilet paper. Get it for free! Steal it from your job's toilet if you're working, from your school's toilet if you're studying, from supermarket toilets, from restaurant toilets, from cafe's toilets, from shop's toilets, from public toilets in general. It's simple and free. Even rags can be used not only to clean your mouth. Newspapers, leaves and whatever you find you think will work, at pretty well will do. Use your imagination when you steal it. Hold it in any longer!!

CLEAN YOUR ASS
FOR FREE!

WE CLEAN OUR CRAP
SOMEWHERE OFF THE MAP!

>>>> *My Trust isn't free.*

People change. People lie. My trust isn't free.

It's hard to swallow reality as it is. Believers that don't believe anymore. Warriors afraid of battles. Honest and sincere people becoming liars. Underground people going Mainstream.

Believe no one. Trust no one. Because even people I never thought they could change, they change... for worse. Vegans who start eating meat again. Punk and Hardcore kids turning into racist rednecks. Anarchists who now think and act like capitalists. Everything's upside down.

Of course I think we should give everything to the ones we love, to our boyfriends, to our girlfriends, to our best friends, to our family. I think we should trust the ones we love and who loves us in return because it makes us happy, it gives us strength to keep on charge. It's good when we feel that our sisters and brothers are united as one, that we are an unstoppable force.

With so many fakes, two-faced losers, sell outs and turncoats sometimes I feel like giving up but I mustn't forget that I'm not in this alone. And even if I am, I must stay true.

I can't stand people that once were all about earth, animal and humyn liberation are now the opposite. How come? I'll never understand. That's why I think we should be more careful with whom we hang out, with what we say, with what we do. We must be aware and extremely careful with the people we think we can trust. We never know if someone will betray us or not. Everyone is a potential back stabber. People are just dumb as fuck and sometimes they know too much about us that they speak out what they know without thinking about the consequences.

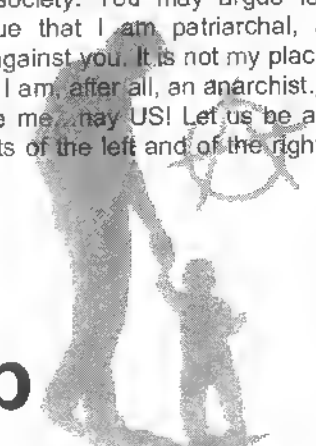
You might feel that we all fight the same fight, that we're all in the same boat, that we're all on the same side but you're wrong.

Hate your enemies. Hate the ones who just became your enemies.

Love your family. Protect your family.

A child was born. She was a beautiful baby girl whom I almost named Emma, who (thankfully) strongly resembled her mother. I continued my work for "the man" and was able to provide us (along with her mother) safety, security, and comfort. She grew everyday. She crawled. She walked. She spoke. Two more years passed. I retained my belief that the world would someday be free of rule. I had decided; however, that my beliefs may not necessarily be the beliefs of the child when she grew old enough to make decisions on these kinds of matters, and that I would not overtly try to slant her opinions. I was intelligent enough to find the truest course, and hopefully, my DNA inside her will help her to do the same. I continue to live my life as I choose, a true anarchist, despite employment and parenthood. My wish is that one day I, her mother, and she will be allowed to sustain ourselves within the "confines" of primitive anarchy. No more fences of technology, supermarkets, and automobile transportation. No gods, no masters; responsibility only to ourselves and the environment we live in. Until that day, however, I must sustain a course of relative conformity in order to ensure the safety of all of us. I must pay for the goods I can not create myself. I must dedicate nearly all of my time to gaining dollars legally in order to keep us healthy. I can not risk arrest due to selfish attempts to subvert the system thru theft, state smashing, or police confrontation. My sacrifice is my greatest reward. All parents wish their children to be greater than themselves and I am no exception. Perhaps I will be able to show her the wealth of sacrifice, the beauty of selflessness. Perhaps she will translate my lifestyle, as opposed to my beliefs as it may be, into compassion for the people she cares for most.

You may argue, (and you may be right) that I have selfishly trapped another life into the constraints of capitalist society. You may argue for extinction of the human race. You may argue that I am patriarchal, a collaborator, and an oppressor. I will not argue against you. It is not my place to decide whether or not your opinions are truth. I am, after all, an anarchist. I ask only that you return the favor. Do not judge me. May US! Let us be as you choose to be: free from it all; the constraints of the left and of the right. Let us be anarchists. I implore you to join us.



...On the map and ducking at every corner.

→ WE DON'T BELIEVE. ←

We don't believe in this System. We don't believe in Governments. We don't believe in Politicians. We don't believe in (their) Laws and Rules. We don't believe in Oppression. We don't believe in Control. We don't believe in Authority. We don't believe in Hierarchy. We don't believe in Cities. We don't believe in Fast Food. We don't believe in Capitalism. We don't believe in Corporations. We don't believe in Machines. We don't believe in Products. We don't believe in Mass Production. We don't believe in Profits. We don't believe in Discrimination. We don't believe in Prejudice. We don't believe in Racism. We don't believe in Sexism. We don't believe in Patriarchy. We don't believe in Religion. We don't believe in Egocentrism. We don't believe in Speciesism. We don't believe that humans are superior to anything else.



**We believe in Nature. We believe in Love.
We believe in Family. We believe in Life.**

→ Self Protection... →

I avoid exposing my ideals to the world. I don't let people know what I think about everything. I did it in the past and I regret it now. Self protection means safeness. A lot of people don't understand my points of view and they might laugh at my face or call me crazy like they did before. Sometimes it's better not to argue, not to talk. The thing is that there's no bridge between people. They don't understand me because there's no link connecting us. It's sometimes impossible a conversation between two humyn beings with nothing in common. And in most of the times with different points of view regarding the same topic.

When I see that a person wants to discuss some issue and not only make fun of it, in that case I can choose to speak out my mind or not. It's only up to me.

I protect myself from people. At my work no one knows what goes inside my head, which I think it's pretty great. It's the shield that I use to protect myself from the world.

I don't show off because I don't want to attract attentions. Low profile makes me more confident and with less chance for them to track me down. Covering up my real "Me" makes me less suspicious.

I have to be careful because Big Brother is always watching.

...Means Safeness.




In this corrupted world shoplifting still makes sense for those who want to make a stand towards this contagious Capitalist Cancer.

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> We're fucking low lifers. Most of us don't work or belong to the working class. We're poor but we're proud of it. We don't want to be rich at all. We don't want your money or charity. We just hate what you represent. We despise your kind. We don't accept your System. We'll never shut up. We live underground. We have strong roots. We won't let anyone profane our culture.

YUPIE SCUM DIE!





Justice on
Earth! We're
taking over!

Animal
liberation
or else...

OFF THE MAP Worldwide Collective shows unconditional support to the TOTAL LIBERATION
of all life forms. To us all struggles for freedom converge in just one struggle. When we
scream animal liberation humans are included because humans are animals too. We stand
for freedom no matter what.

LIFE LIBERATION, BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY!